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SUBJECT: PERON ATTEMPTS TO RESUSCITATE HORA DEL PUEBLO

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- 1. THAT PERON'S OBJECTIVE IN SCRUBBING FREJULI (SEE REFTEL) IS TO BROADEN LINES OF COOPERATION BEYOND THE PARTIES INCLUDED IN THAT ELECTORAL ALLIANCE RATHER THAN TO RESTRICT FOCUS TO PERONISMO ITSELF IS SUGGESTED BY FACTS THAT (A) PRESIDENT-ELECT CAMPORA, ON PERON'S INSTRUCTIONS, MET WITH DEFEATED UCR CANDIDATE BALBIN THIS MORNING; AND (B) THAT UPON INVITATION OF PERONISTAS, REPRESENTATIVES OF VARIOUS PARTIES ORIGINALLY INCLUDED IN HORA DEL PUEBLO LUNCHED TOGETHER IN HOTEL CRILLON TODAY.
- 2. SOURCES CLOSE TO CAMPORA HAVE COMMENTED TO US THAT EFFORT TO RESUSCITATE HORA DEL PUEBLO REFLECTS FACT THAT PERONIST LEADERS UNDERSTAND THEY CANNOT GOVERN COUNTRY ON FREJULI BASE ALONE WHICH AFTER ALL CONSTITUTES LESS THAN 50 PERCENT OF ELECTORATE. RATHER, LINES OF COOPERATION MUST BE BROADENED TO INCLUDE OTHER PARTIES,

ESPECIALLY UCR. SOURCES SUGGEST THAT EFFORT TO ELICIT UCR COOPERATION IN NEXT GOVT WILL BE MAJOR THRUST DURING PRE-CONFIDENTIAL

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3. COMMENT: PERON'S OPENING TO THE UCR IS AN INDIRECT REPRIMAND TO JUSTICIALISTA SECRETARY GENERAL ABAL MEDINA WHO HAS BEEN BITTER CRITIC

OF AND WHO HAS ADVISED AGAINST COOPERATION WITH UCR. LODGE

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